MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The headquarters was shifted for departmental convenience.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I ask whether the irrigation needs of the taluk will not be better served if the headquarters are at Neyyattinkara rather than at Quilon?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Government do not think so.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know the number of tanks for the restoration of which the amounts given in the answer were spent in the respective years?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether the number of tanks has decreased during these years?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): May I know the northernmost limit and the southernmost limit of the Quilon Irrigation Sub-Division?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): So far as I know, the Sub-Division includes the Neyyattinkara taluk.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): That I know. My point is that Quilon is not suited to be the headquarters of the Sub-Division. The southern taluks are now suffering. That is why I want to know the northernmost and the southernmost limits of the Sub-Division.

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information

MR. K MADHAVAN (*Nominated*): May I know the number of tanks yet to be repaired in the Neyyattinkara taluk?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

PRESIDENT: I do not very much relish Government members recklessly answering 'No information.' Non-official members who put questions are entitled to answers if information is available. If, in some cases, information is not immediately available, then the better course for the official member will be to ask for notice. Simply saying 'No information', 'No information', is not really very courteous to the non-official members. (*Cries of Hear, hear.*)

Tirupuram-Nalukettu Road.

150. *MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they or the P. W. D. have received petitions from the inhabitants of Karumkulam and Tirupuram (Neyyattinkara taluk) complaining against the neglected condition of the Tirupuram-Nalukettu road; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken upon them?

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate has been sanctioned for the improvement of the road and it is awaiting execution for want of funds.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : In view of the fact that this particular road has been in a hopelessly neglected condition for such a long time, may I know whether the Government will divert the necessary amount and execute the work immediately ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : That question will be considered.

Construction of a dam at Koratumoola.

151. ✻**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*) : With reference to the answer to question No. 15, No 2, Vol. III of the Proceedings of the Travancore Sri Mulam Assembly, dated the 27th July 1934, *re* construction of a dam at Koratttmoola, Kavalayoor, Chirayinkil taluk, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received the report, referred to in that answer, from the Division Officer, Irrigation Division ; and

(*b*) whether the Chief Engineer or the Irrigation Engineer has inspected the place ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) and (*b*) No.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*) : May I know the reason why the submission of the report has been delayed so long ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The Chief Engineer has urgently called for the report of the Sub-Division Officer. It has not yet been received.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*) : May I know the date on which the Chief Engineer called for the report ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The exact date is not now before me.

MR S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*) : Are the Government aware that the paddy fields near by were flooded and were damaged by floods during 1108 and 1109 ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

Venkulom Railway Station.

152. ✻**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*) : With reference to the answer to question No. 344, No. 12, Vol. II of the Proceedings of the Travancore Sri Mulam Assembly, dated the 28th May 1934, regarding Venkulom Railway Station, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received the estimate from the South Indian Railway Company ; and

(*b*) whether they have finally fixed the site for locating the station ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

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